**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Good

**IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Below Average Number of districts with students like ours: 14.

The absolute ratings for those districts ranged from average to good. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to average.

#### **Definitions of District Rating Terms**

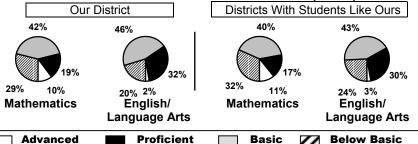
**Excellent**- District performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good**- District performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average**- District performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal. **Below Average**- District is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal

**Unsatisfactory**- District performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

#### PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



#### **DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:**

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

PERFO	RMANCE BY S	TUDENT GROUPS		
	Percent of		Percent of Students	Scoring
	Seniors Passing the	Percent of Seniors  Qualifying for LIFE	Basic or on the Pa	
Student Group	Exit Exam	Scholarships	ELA	Math
All Students	96.5%	15.6%	79.7%	71.1%
Students with disabilities other than Speech	50.0%	0.0%	52.6%	39.2%
Students without disabilities	98.2%	17.0%	85.1%	77.1%
Gender				
Male	94.6%	12.3%	75.9%	68.9%
Female	98.2%	21.1%	84.5%	73.9%
Ethnic Group				
African-American	95.7%	0.0%	70%	56.3%
Hispanic	100.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A
White	96.6%	20.4%	83.7%	76.3%
Other	N/A	100.0%	N/A	N/A
Lunch Status				
Free/ Reduced-Price Lunch	95.8%	12.5%	71.9%	62.2%
Pay for Lunch	96.6%	16.3%	86.1%	78.1%

#### TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	First-time Exa	First-time Examinees				
	1999	2000	2001			
Our district						
Passed all 3 subtests	69.6%	72.4%	71.1%			
Passed 2 subtests	21.6%	16.4%	19.7%			
Passed 1 subtest	4.0%	6.7%	6.6%			
Passed no subtest	4.8%	4.5%	2.6%			
Districts with students like ours						
Passed all 3 subtests	67.5%	72.2%	71.6%			
Passed 2 subtests	17.5%	15.0%	16.3%			
Passed 1 subtest	9.7%	8.4%	8.0%			
Passed no subtest	5.2%	4.4%	4.1%			

#### LIFE scholarships at four-year institutions

		Percent of Seniors	
		Meeting Grade Point	Meeting SAT/ACT
	Eligible	Average Requirement	Requirement
Our District	15.6%	57.4%	18.9%
Districts Like Ours	20.6%	52.7%	22.0%

## **College Admissions Tests:** Tests that are frequently used in the college admissions process.

	SAT	SAT	SAT	ACT	ACT	ACT	ACT	ACT
	Verbal	Math	Total	English	Math	Reading	Science	Total
	2000 2001	2000 2001	2000 2001	2000 2001	2000 2001	2000 2001	2000 2001	2000 2001
District	477 486	483 494	960 980	14.5 16.5	18.0 18.0	16.1 17.8	17.9 18.0	16.7 17.6
State	484 486	482 488	966 974	18.7 18.8	19.2 19.3	19.5 19.5	19.2 19.2	19.3 19.3
Nation	505 506	514 514	1019 1020	20.5 20.5	20.7 20.7	21.4 21.3	21.0 21.0	21.0 21.0

These tests were administered to samples of students:

### **Terra Nova Test:** A national, norm-referenced achievement test. Percent scoring in upper half

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	Rea	Reading		Language		Math		Total	
	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation	
Grade 4	47.8	50.0.	43.1	50.0	58.4	50.0	50.5	50.0	
Grade 7	45.8	50.0	59.4	50.0	54.7	50.0	53.9	50.0	
Grade 10	59.6	50.0	59.5	50.0	62.4	50.0	59.1	50.0	

National Assessment of Education Progress : A national, criterion-referenced achievement test.

#### Percents of Students

			Adva	anced	Prof	icient	Ba	asic	Belov	v Basic
Test	Grade	Year	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation
Reading	4	1998	4	6	18	23	33	32	45	39
Writing	8	1998	0	1	15	23	64	59	21	17
Mathematics	4	2000	2	3	16	23	42	43	40	31

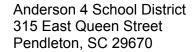
# DISTRICT PROFILE INDICATORS OF DISTRICT PERFORMANCE

			With	
	This District	Change from Last Year	Students	Median District
DISTRICT	DISTRICT	Last Year	Like Ours	DISTRICT
Dollars per student	\$6,612	N/A	\$6,303	\$6,464
Prime instructional time	88.1%	Down from 89.5%	90.2%	89.4%
Student-teacher ratio	21 to 1	N/A	21 to 1	20.2 to 1
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0%	N/A	0.4%	0.6%
STUDENTS (n=2,561)				
Advanced placement/ int'l baccalaureate program exam success ratio	46.9%	N/A	46.5%	43.8%
Attendance Rate	95.7%	Down from 96%	96%	95.7%
Taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	5.9%	N/A	5.3%	5.8%
Taking PACT (Math) off grade level	4.2%	N/A	4.1%	4.5%
Retention rate	4.9%	Down from 6%	5.4%	6.0%
TEACHERS (n=180)				
<ul> <li>Professional development days per teacher</li> </ul>	14.3 Days	Up from 8.8	7.4 Days	7.8 Days
Attendance rate	94.2%	Down from 95.6%	95.3%	95.2%
Advanced Degrees	41.7%	Up from 38.5%	50.4%	44.4%
Continuing contracts	87.8%	Up from 84.6%	86%	81.4%
Out-of-field permits	5.6%	Up from 0%	1.8%	2.2%
Teachers returning from the previous year	92.5%	Down from 93.5%	90.9%	89.5%
Average salary	\$38,318	Up 3.8%	\$38,805	\$37,143

**Districts** 

#### **DISTRICT FACTS**

DISTRICT				
Annual dropout rate	1.4%	Down from 1.8%	3%	2.9%
<ul> <li>Percentage spent on teacher salaries</li> </ul>	49.3%	N/A	52.4%	50.9%
<ul> <li>Superintendent's years in the district</li> </ul>	11	N/A	5.5	3.5
<ul> <li>Parent conferences</li> </ul>	93.9%	N/A	86%	81.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	N/A	Excellent	Excellent
<ul> <li>Number of schools</li> </ul>	5	No change	9	8
<ul> <li>Number of alternative schools</li> </ul>	0	No change	0	0
Number of charter schools	0	No change	0	0
Number of magnet schools	0	N/A	0	0
<ul> <li>Portable classrooms</li> </ul>	1.6%	N/A	4.3%	6.5%
Attendance rate of district office staff	98%	No change	98%	97.5%
Average administrative salary	\$65,752	Down 1.1%	\$66,396	\$64,098
STUDENTS				
Enrollment in adult education GED or diploma programs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent of completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<ul> <li>Suspensions and expulsions</li> </ul>	37	N/A	124	100
Percent eligible for state gifted and talented programs	14.6%	Up from 10.4%	15.5%	10.5%
Percentage with disabilities other than speech	11.3%	Up from 9.4%	11.3%	10.5%





Grades K-12

Enrollment: 2,561 Students

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#### THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual District Report Card 2001

#### DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The report card for Anderson School District Four, as required by the South Carolina Education Accountability Act of 1998, provides information on district wide performances, accomplishments, and challenges. Anderson School District Four is proud to announce that our students achieved well academically, artistically, and athletically during the 2000-01 school year. Among our accomplishments are the following:

- \* Ninety percent of our first grade students scored ready on the CSAB State Test for first grade.
- \* Our students were above the state average on the PACT Test for meeting the standards in math and English/Language Arts.
- \* The District was recognized as a Flagship District when all of its schools achieved Flagship status by the SC Association of School Administrators.
- \* Volunteers logged over 18,000 hours in our schools.
- \* The athletic teams competed in nine state playoffs.
- \* The high school chorus placed in the top three choruses internationally and the band placed in the top three bands in the state.
- \* New construction was completed at LaFrance and Riverside Schools.

The District has established the following goals for continuous improvement through the Aligned Management System Process:

- \* Math, English/Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies scores will continue to increase.
- \* The percent of students entering school ready for first grade will continue to increase
- \* The involvement of parents will continue to increase.
- \* Students and staff will continue to work in a safe environment.
- Effective partnerships to support student learning will increase.

We will continue to keep parents informed and work closely with you. Thank you for your active role in our district, and for your continued support.

Wray Smith Superintendent

#### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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